

ARKANSAS

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ARKANSAS BROILER PLACEMENTS UP 1 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

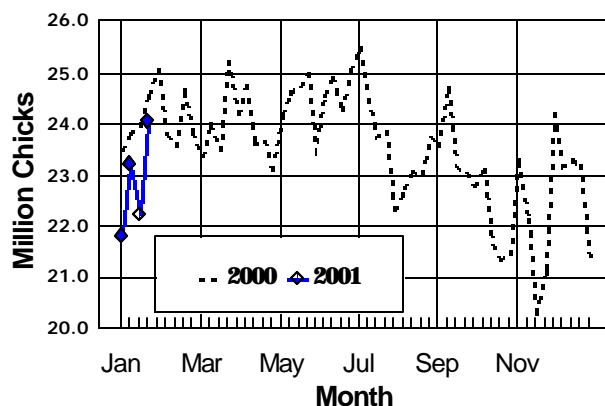
Broiler-type **chicks placed** for meat production in **Arkansas** was 24.1 million during the week ending January 27, 2001, according to the Arkansas Agricultural Statistics Service. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week in 2000 and 8 percent above the previous week, and included 2.6 million chicks shipped in from other states. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2000, through January 27, 2001 were 91.4 million, 6 percent below a year earlier.

The broiler-type **chicks hatched** for the week was 24.0 million, down 4 percent from the corresponding week a year earlier, but 9 percent above the previous week. Of the total hatch, 2.1 million chicks were shipped out of the state. Average hatch ability for chicks hatched was 81.1 percent.

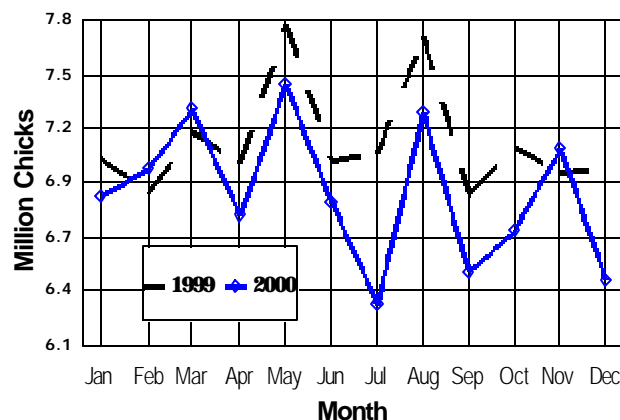
Arkansas hatcheries **set** 29.4 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending January 27, 2001, down 2 percent from the same period last year, but 1 percent above the previous week.

Leading breeders in the **UNITED STATES** placed 6.4 million **broiler-type pullet chicks** for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during December 2000, down 8 percent from December 1999.

ARKANSAS BROILER CHICK PLACEMENTS
BY WEEK, 2000 - 2001



U.S. BROILER-TYPE PULLET CHICKS PLACED
FOR DOMESTIC HATCHERY SUPPLY FLOCKS



NET PLACEMENTS IN ARKANSAS

Week Ending	Year		% Change
	1999	2000	
	1,000		
Dec. 23	23,503	23,229	99
Dec. 30	20,469	21,286	104
Jan. 6	24,005	21,817	91
Jan. 13	24,581	23,255	95
Jan. 20	25,127	22,229	88
Jan. 27	23,841	24,055	101

U.S. PULLET CHICKS PLACED

Month	Year		% Change
	1999	2000	
	1,000		
Jul.	7,088	6,310	89
Aug.	7,665	7,288	95
Sep.	6,870	6,469	94
Oct.	7,121	6,694	94
Nov.	6,984	7,105	102
Dec.	6,993	6,429	92

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BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED IN 15 MAJOR STATES BY WEEKS, 2000 - 2001

EGGS SET (in Thousands)						CHICKS PLACED (in Thousands)						
	Week Ending				1/		Week Ending				1/	
STATE	06-Jan	13-Jan	20-Jan	27-Jan	%	23-Dec	30-Dec	06-Jan	13-Jan	20-Jan	27-Jan	%
Alabama	27,614	27,945	27,528	27,742	98	21,582	19,783	21,244	21,435	20,726	20,586	99
ARKANSAS	29,608	28,905	29,167	29,413	98	23,229	21,286	21,817	23,255	22,229	24,055	101
Delaware	4,103	4,021	4,118	3,875	89	4,634	5,520	4,691	4,973	4,540 *	5,423	123
Florida	2,554 *	2,585	2,499	2,486	91	2,118	2,486	2,373	2,402	2,340	2,236	84
Georgia	30,777 *	30,833	30,628	30,413	98	24,775	24,312	24,353	24,214	24,653 *	24,437	97
Maryland	8,140	8,448	8,679 *	8,306	98	5,714	4,253	5,690	5,193	5,646 *	4,906	80
Mississippi	18,136	18,144	18,100	17,938	101	14,994	15,167	15,240	15,339	14,870	15,193	101
N. Carolina	17,700 *	17,833	17,903	17,504	108	14,376	13,270	14,383	14,634	14,466	13,727	100
Pennsylvania	3,517 *	3,500 *	3,515	3,643	97	2,729	2,471	2,596 *	2,709 *	2,541	2,763	100
S. Carolina	4,840 *	4,737 *	4,832 *	4,661	98	3,961	3,957	3,793	3,836	4,058	4,229	116
Texas	14,447	14,380	14,412	14,475	103	11,362	11,648	11,328	11,285	11,345	11,180	100
Virginia	6,385	6,409	6,481	6,591	104	5,146	5,171	5,204 *	5,254	5,273 *	5,322	94
CA TN & W VA	11,003	11,291	11,602 *	11,180	99	9,461	9,382	10,136	9,328	9,582 *	9,940	92
TOTAL 2000	178,824 *	179,031 *	179,464 *	178,227		144,081	138,706	142,848 *	143,857 *	142,269 *	143,997	
TOTAL 1999	181,901	180,679	181,734	179,169		143,292	144,382	144,090	144,745	145,179	145,644	
% PREV. YEAR	98	99	99	99		101	96	99	99	98	99	
APPROXIMATE MARKETING DATE 2001.....						10-Feb	17-Feb	24-Feb	03-Mar	10-Mar	17-Mar	

* Revised . 1/ Current week as percent of the same week last year.

EGGS SET IN 15 MAJOR BROILER PRODUCING STATES DOWN 1 PERCENT

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-state weekly program set 178 million eggs during the week ending January 27, 2001. This was down 1 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 82 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED DOWN 1 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 15-state weekly program placed 144 million chicks for meat production during the week ending January 27, 2001. Placements were down 1 percent from the comparable week in 2000. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2000 through January 27, 2001 were 573 million, down 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.